## PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

Docket No: Q79633

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For:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MEASURING THE WAVEFRONT OF AN

OPTICAL SYSTEM

## COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

## **REMARKS**

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated September 25, 2007. Even though the application includes 2 independent formulations of the invention, the Reasons for Allowance paraphrase only independent claim 10. Accordingly, while the Statement appears to be an accurate statement of reasons for allowing claim 10, the statement is deficient by failing to acknowledge that independent claim 15 was allowed for independent reasons.

Patent Office personnel are requested to note that the present submission does not adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. As emphasized in the "Clarification of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(c)(10) – Reduction of Patent Term Adjustment for Certain Types of Papers Filed After a Notice of Allowance Has Been Mailed," 1247OG111 (6/26/01), "a

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response to the examiner's reasons for allowance" is an example of a paper that does "not cause

substantial interference and delay in the patent issue process" and is "not considered a 'failure to

engage in reasonable efforts' to conclude processing or examination of the application."

Therefore, the Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment set forth on page 3 of

the Notice of Allowance dated September 25, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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## SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS

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Sir:

Submitted herewith please find five (5) sheets of replacement drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of these drawings.

The submitted drawings are intended to replace the drawings previously submitted on August 16, 2004.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets: Five (5)

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